His soul is pure and untainted
His soul is honest and has true worth.

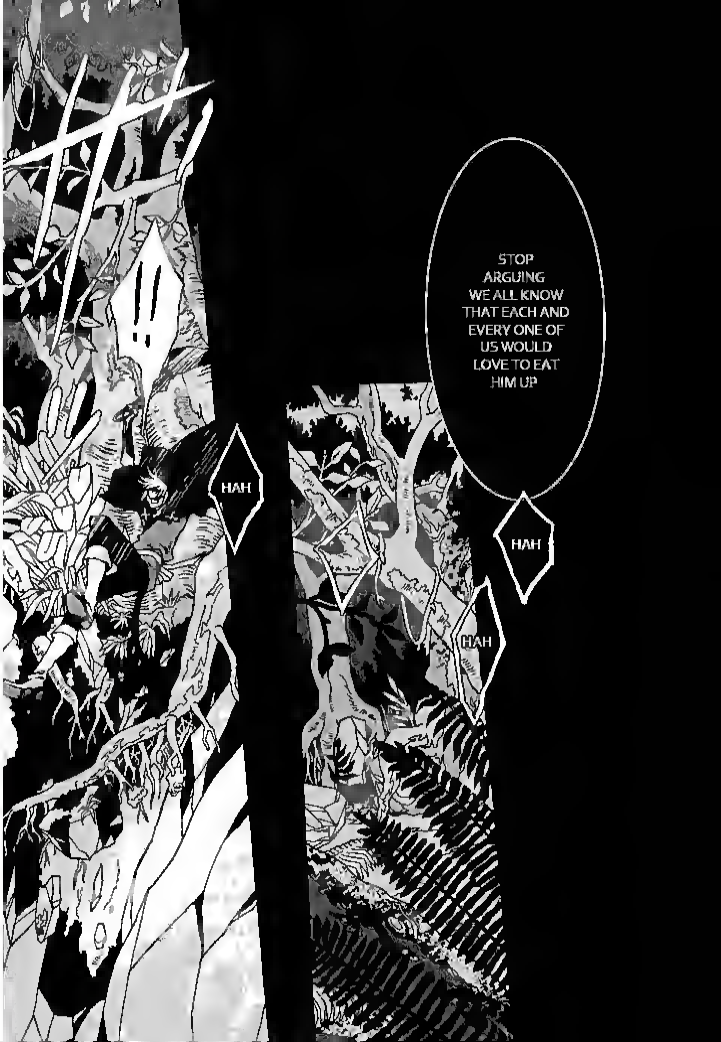
His soul desires to remain righteous,
and so he must continue to journey forth.

He carries the mark of darkness,
a symbol of overflowing hatred and fear.

The mournful lament of fallen beasts,
from their eyes fall piercing crystal tears.

Capitolo DUE 2
Alas
Who can claim that
his soul is ugly?

FUFUFU HE CAN RUN, BUT HE CAN'T HIDE!
NOW, SHALL WE START THE HUNT?
WELL, THERE'S NOTHING WE CAN DO ABOUT THAT
HE'S IN PAIN
HE'S MY PREY
I WON'T GIVE UP THE CHANCE TO HUNT SUCH ENTICING PREY
OHH YOU SOUND PRETTY CONFIDENT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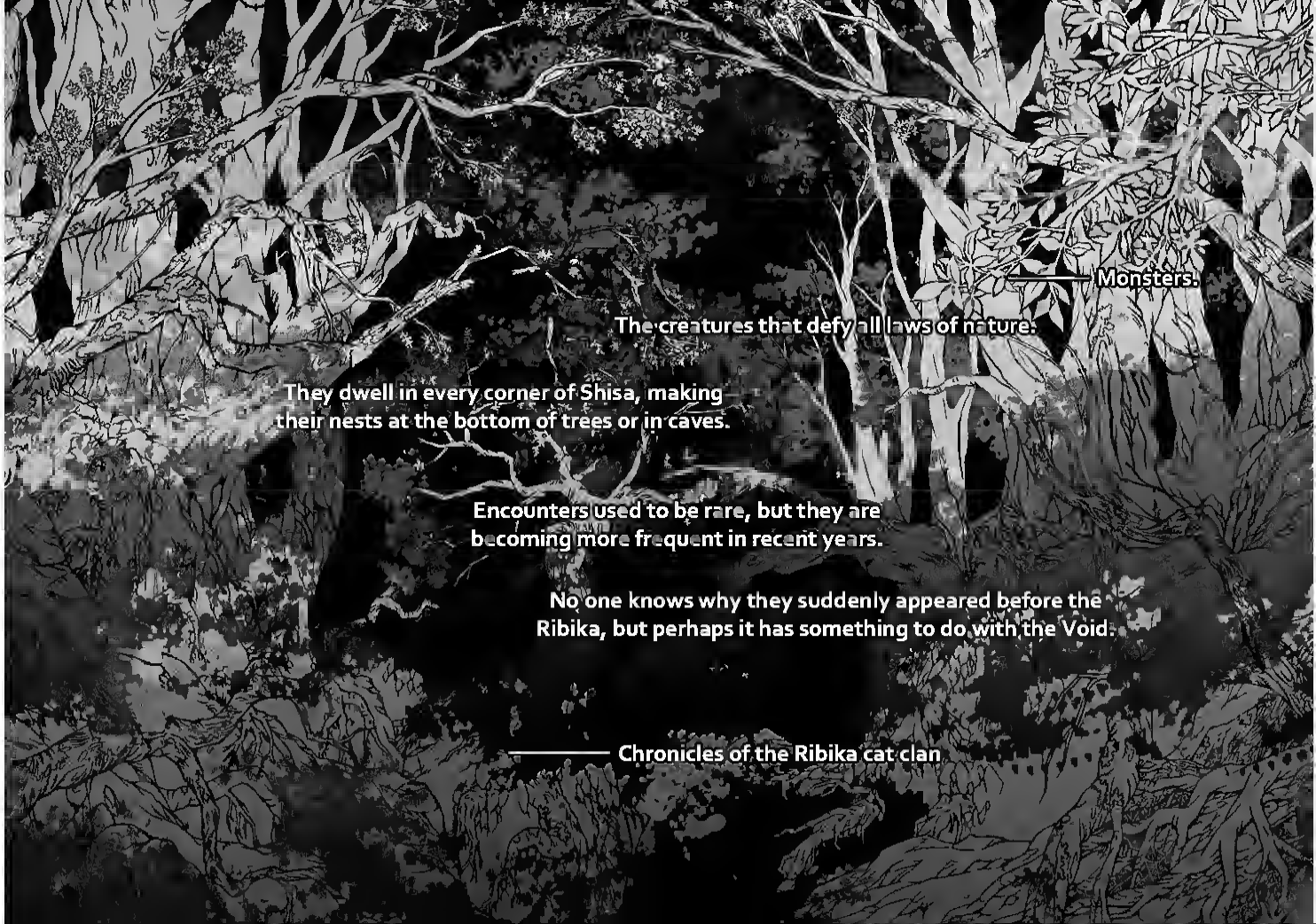
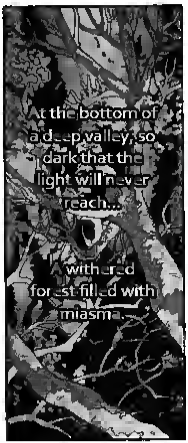
HAH
STOP ARGUING WE ALL KNOW THAT EACH AND EVERY ONE OF US WOULD LOVE TO EAT HIM UP
HAH
HAH


Monsters.
The creatures that defy all laws of nature.
They dwell in every corner of Shisa, making their nests at the bottom of trees or in caves.
Encounters used to be rare, but they are becoming more frequent in recent years.
No one knows why they suddenly appeared before the Ribika, but perhaps it has something to do with the Void.
Chronicles of the Ribika cat clan

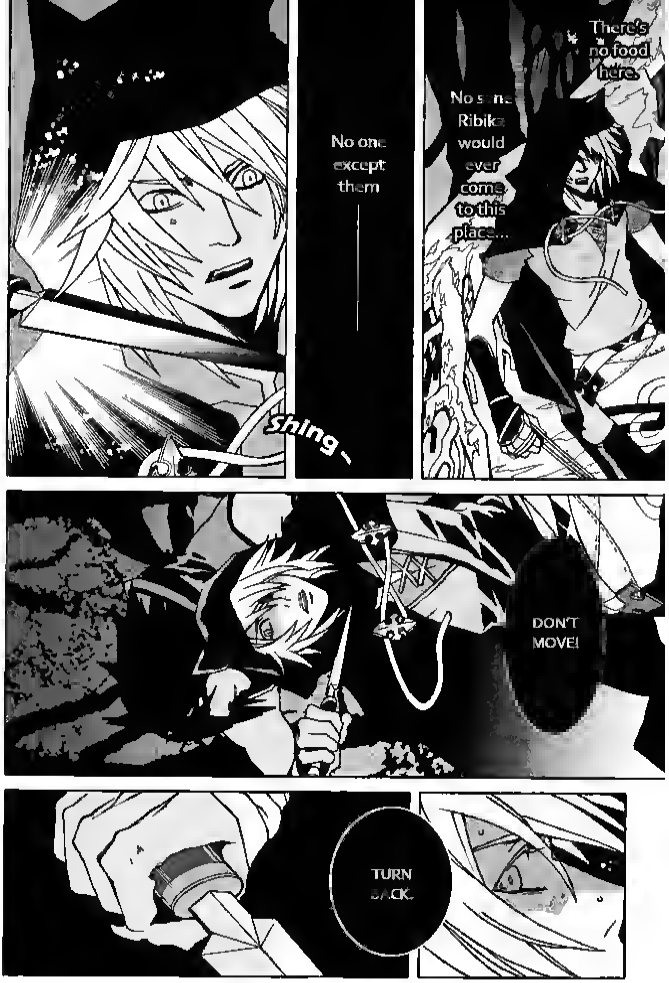
UGH
AH

WHOA!
ズブ!
CAW!
CAW!
KIIII!
ズルズル


At the bottom of a deep valley, so dark that the light will never reach...
A withered forest filled with miasma...

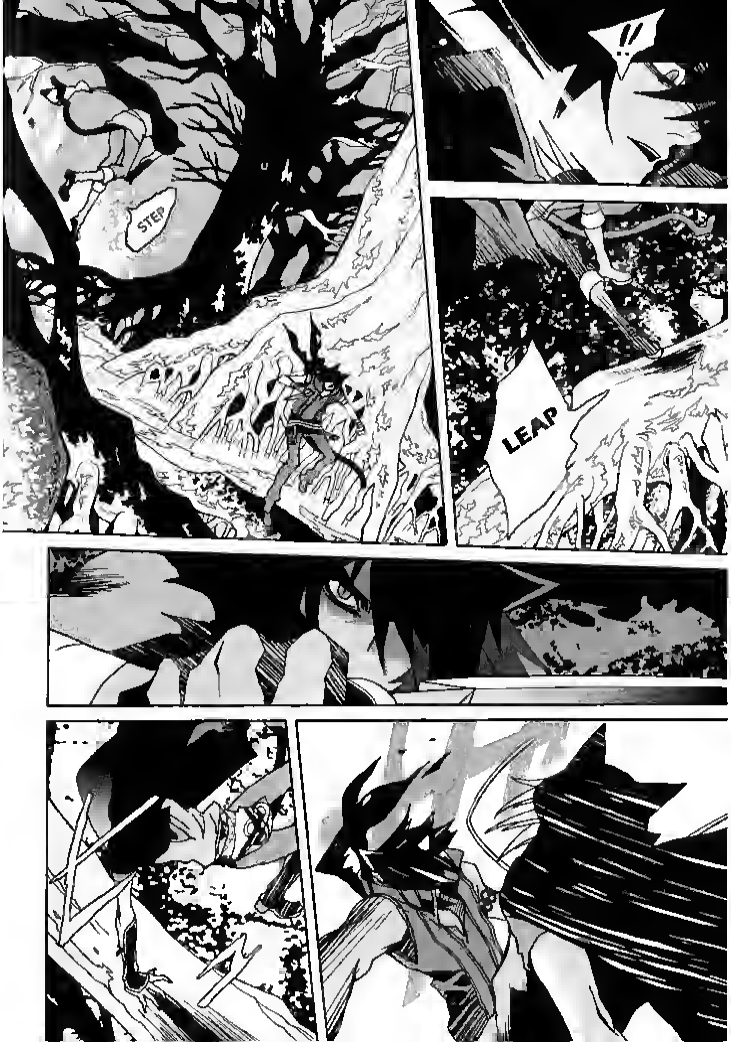
Could this be the "valley of silence"...?!

This place is...


There's no food here.
No sane Ribika would ever come to this place...
No one except them
Shing -
DON'T MOVE!
TURN BACK.

"They" are the cats of the Kira village.

According to rumor, they live in this valley.

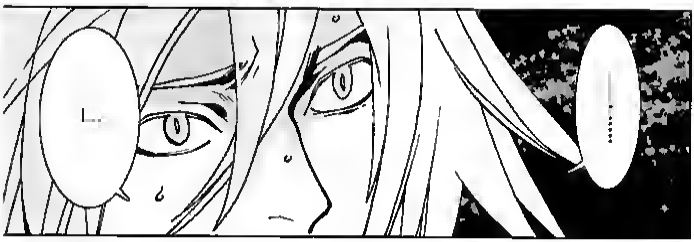

!!
STEP
LEAP

There's no hint of hesitation in his attack...
UGH
SO FAST...!
He's going to catch up to me—!
Black ears, black tail..
WHAT ARE YOU?
Ultramarine eyes...
Such murderous intent...

AH
"WHAT" AM I...?

!!

WHAT ARE YOU?


I...
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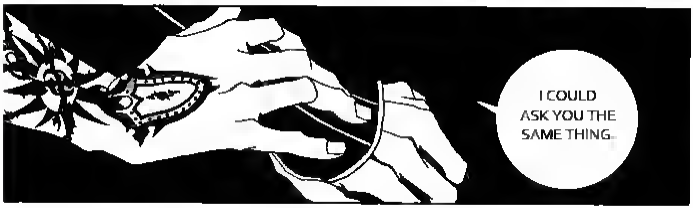
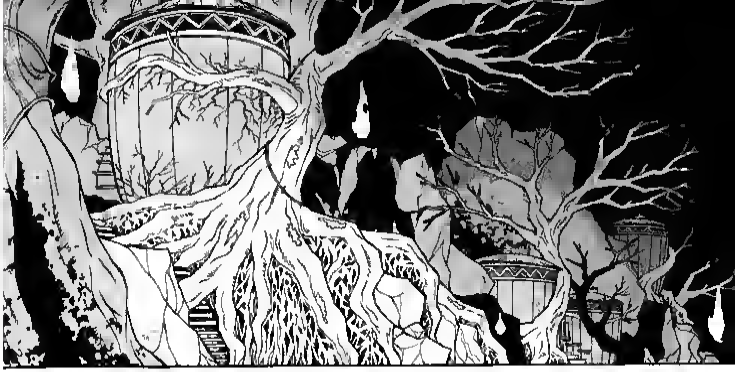
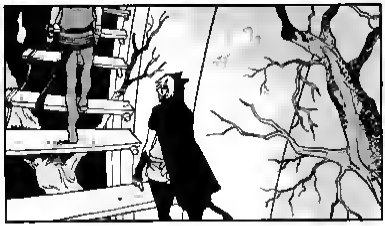

I COULD ASK YOU THE SAME THING.



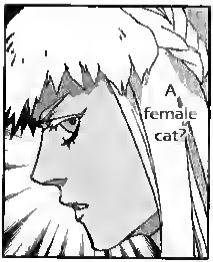
WHY DID YOU BRING AN OUTSIDER HERE?
WHAT'S GOING ON?

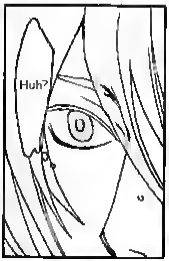
STOP STARING
The houses are built on top of the trees!

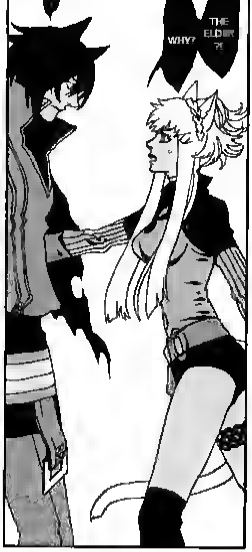


WANT TO LET THE ELDER MEET HIM
WHO IS HE?
WE'RE SUPPOSED TO BE ON HIGH ALERT!

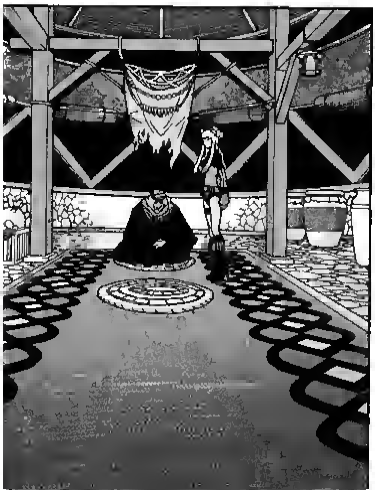
ASATO!

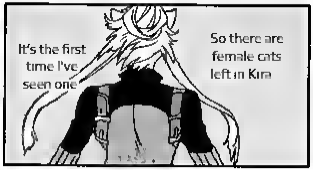

A female cat?

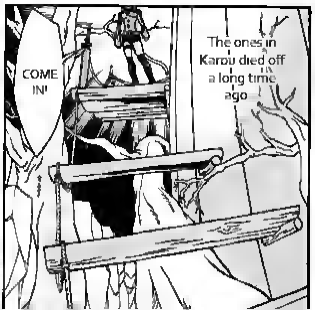

Huh?


THE ELDER?!
WHY?

DON'T MOVE FROM THAT SPOT!
I'LL GO ASK THE ELDER.
YOU TWO STAY RIGHT THERE!




It's the first time I've seen one
So there are female cats left in Kira


COME IN!
The ones in Karou died off a long time ago

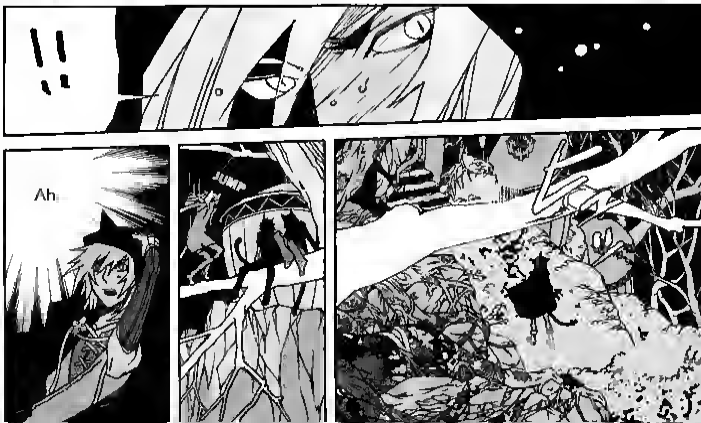
AND THEN YOUR EARS AND TAIL TURNED BLACK?
SO—— THIS MARK APPEARED ON BOTH OF YOUR FORLARMS FIRST...
SO THAT'S WHY YOU LEFT KAKOU...
YES
IN OUR LEGENDS THESE ARE MARKS OF THE "CURSE"
HMM
BLACK LARS BLACK TAIL AND BLACK SYMBOLS
WOULD YOU HAPPEN TO KNOW WHY I LOOK LIKE THIS?
PULL

BUT BLACK CATS HERE ARE BLACK ONLY DUE TO THEIR ANCESTRY.
THIS IS THE RESULT OF KEEPING OUR BLOODLINES PURE FOR SO LONG.
Mr.
LOOK
THERE ARE MANY CATS WITH BLACK EARS AND TAILS IN KIRA.
IT'S NOT A "MARK" BUT THIS IDENTIFIES A KIRA CAT
IT'S GONE!
KIRA HAS LONG ISOLATED ITSELF FROM THE OUTSIDE WORLD. SO WE DO NOT CARE FOR SUCH SUPERSTITIONS. OF COURSE, WE DO NOT CARE FOR THE LEGENDARY "CURSE" THAT YOU APPEAR TO HAVE, EITHER.
ALTHOUGH THERE ARE MANY CATS WHO EQUATE BLACK CATS WITH BAD LUCK,
"Different"
HOWEVER THE CHANGES IN YOUR BODY YOUR SITUATION IS INDEED VERY DIFFERENT FROM OURS. IS IT NOT?

I HAD NO IDEA WHAT WAS GOING ON AND I JUST CAME BURSTING IN HERE
I'M SORRY FOR INTRUDING
These are the marks of the curse.
I SEE
DO YOU PLAN TO GO BACK LIKE THAT?
RIGHT NOW, THERE ARE MANY WHO ARE HOSTILE TOWARDS BLACK CATS!
DON'T DO THIS, ELDER!
ELDER?!
YOU'VE LEFT YOUR VILLAGE, HAVE YOU NOT? I WONDER WHERE YOU WILL GO...
I'M ONLY ASKING IF YOU HAVE A PLACE TO GO BACK TO

PLEASE, ELDER, DON'T DO THIS! WE DON'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT HIM!
DO NOT FRET, WE WILL NOT TAKE IN AN OUTSIDER — JUST LET HIM REST UNTIL TOMORROW MORNING
ELDER!!
YOU WILL TAKE CARE OF HIM
ASATO
ASATO?
NOD
THAT'S ENOUGH I'VE MADE MY DECISION.
BUT! FOR ASATO TO DO THIS!
STOP! WE CAN ALSO UNDERSTAND THE PAIN OF BEING UNABLE TO EXPLAIN ONESELF
KEEP UP

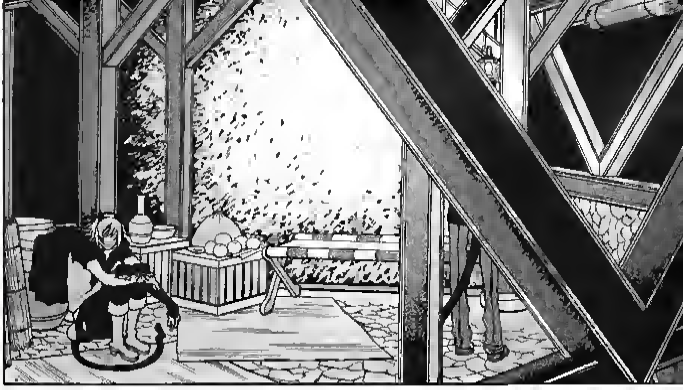
Demon Spawn!

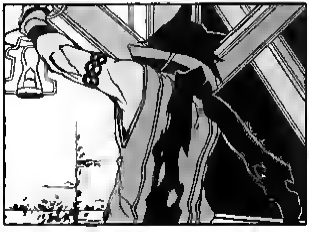


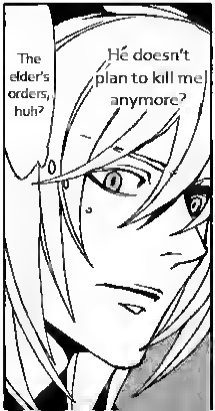
You
Demon
Spawn!
This voice... Is it resonance ...?
AH
Unlucky devil!!
Get out of this Villag e!
UGH!

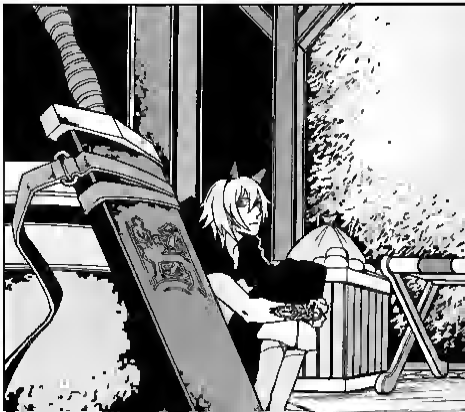
but Asato?!
This is not meant for me...

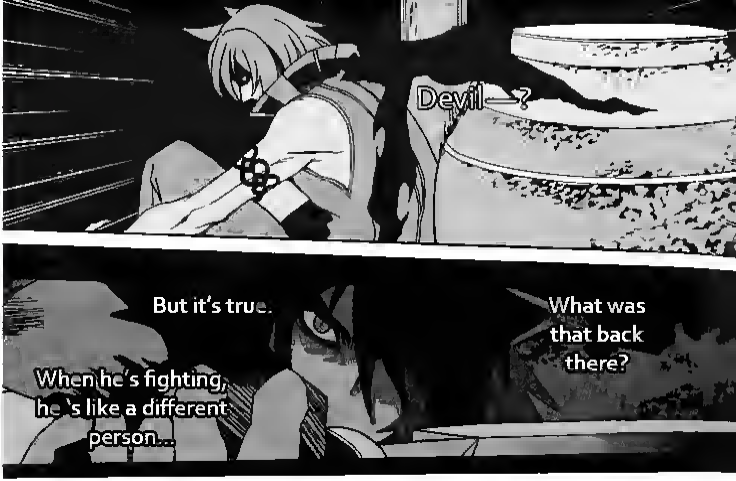
snap






He doesn't plan to kill me anymore?
The elder's orders, huh?




Devil—?
But it's true.
When he's fighting, he's like a different person...
What was that back there?

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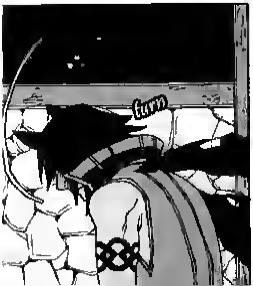

turn

shock

ARE YOU HUNGRY?
AH NO I...
NO I'M NOT
コン
Clatter-
EVERY ONE IS FIGHTING OVER WHAT'S LEFT
THERE'S HARDLY ANY FOOD LEFT IN KAKOU
IS IT OKAY? SUCH PRE-CIOUS FOOD
WELL, IN MY VILLAGE

Perk
.....
IS IT GOOD?
STARE
.....
GULP
NOD
THAT'S GOOD

In karou, my home town, food became scarce long before I was born... In desperation, cats there fight each other for food.
Then, ever since the "Void" began to spread, the situation got worse, and the cats' hearts withered.
My father died before I was born, and my mother followed soon after my birth. Naturally, I became an outcast.
IT'S NO WONDER I WAS CHOSEN AS THE SACRIFICE
Kill him!
He escaped into the forest!
Chase him!

I WONDER IF I'LL EVER BE ABLE TO FIND A PLACE WHERE I'LL BE ACCEPTED.
AND NOW THAT I'M CURSED, TOO...
I CAN NEVER GO BACK TO KAROU NOW...

AREN'T YOU DISGUSTED?
BY WHAT?
ME, AND THE STATE I'M IN
I'M A CURSED CAT
YOUR EYES ARE BEAUTIFUL
HUH?!
YOUR TAIL, TOO
IT'S HOOKED.
THAT'S RARE
I'M SORRY THAT MY TAIL IS HOOKED!
AH! I DIDN'T MEAN IT THAT WAY IT'S PRETTY
SOURCE OF LOW SELF ESTEEM
HOOKED TAIL

!??
Speaking as a small cat, Asato is blessed with a strong yet nimble body
AREN'T YOU THE BEAUTIFUL ONE HERE?
His fur is so much finer than mine...
.....
...THIS IS THE FIRST TIME THAT ANYONE HAS SAID THAT ABOUT ME...
EH?
Y-YOU SAID IT FIRST SO I...
IT'S BECAUSE EVERYONE HATES ME
WHAT?

IT GOT HURT BACK IN THE FOREST, RIGHT?
GIVE ME YOUR HAND
CHK

GO
FORTH
SSSSSS

Deep silence... What a dark forest.
If I want to get to Ransen, I have to go through these forests
Kira - a hidden village surrounded on all sides by the deafening silence of the valley
I can only see the moon if I climb this high up
Ah, the female cat from back then!
DON'T MAKE ME GO UP THERE!
GET DOWN FROM THERE RIGHT NOW!
I wonder how long I'll have to walk for in the miasma
WHAT ARE YOU DOING UP THERE?

WHAT THE HECK IS ASATO DOING?
I'M SOR-
YOU SHOULDN'T EVEN BE OUTSIDE.

YOU SHOULD GET OUT OF HERE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.
I'M SORRY ...
ASATO'S INSIDE THE HOUSE.

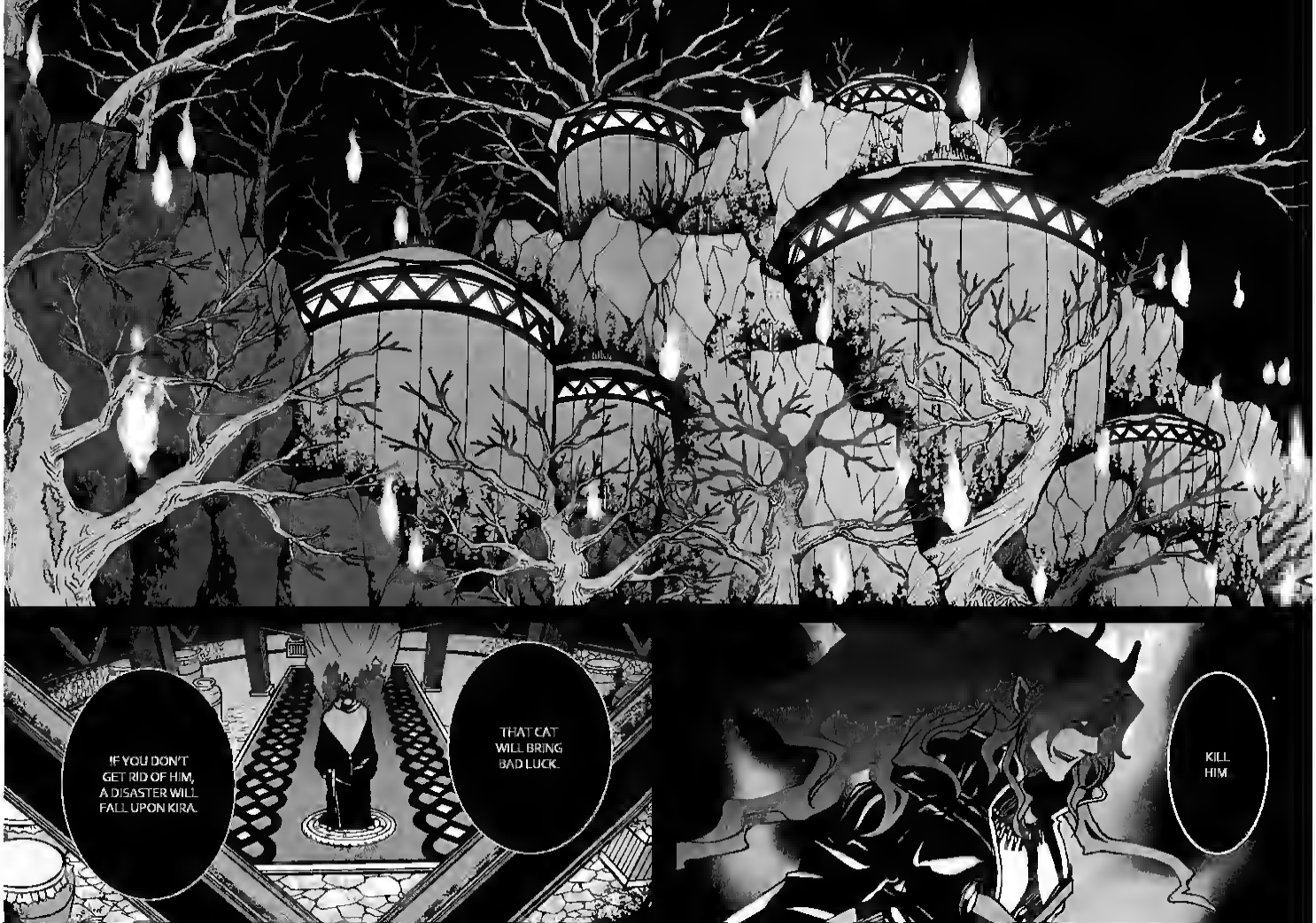
UM... NOTH-ING...
WHAT DID SHE TALK TO YOU ABOUT?

FORGET KIRA, FORGET ASATO... NEVER COME NEAR THIS PLACE AGAIN..... UNDERSTAND?
AND WHEN YOU LEAVE, FORGET EVERYTHING THAT HAS HAPPENED DURING YOUR STAY.

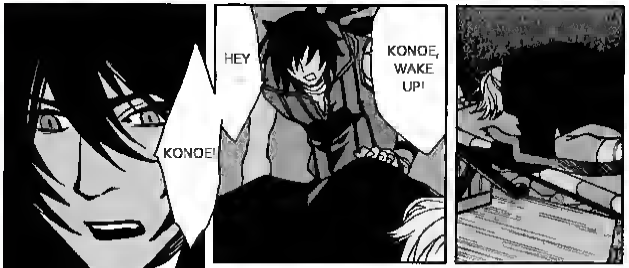
No one wants to be with a cursed cat...
Ah, as I thought ...
KAGARI?

JUMP

THAT'S GOOD
KONOE
IS THAT SO?
YOU MENDED IT WELL. IT LOOKS GOOD
MY NAME IS KONOE. THANK YOU, ASATO!
KONOE...

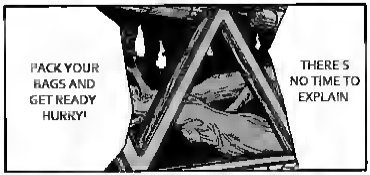

IF YOU DON'T GET RID OF HIM, A DISASTER WILL FALL UPON KIRA.
THAT CAT WILL BRING BAD LUCK.
KILL HIM.

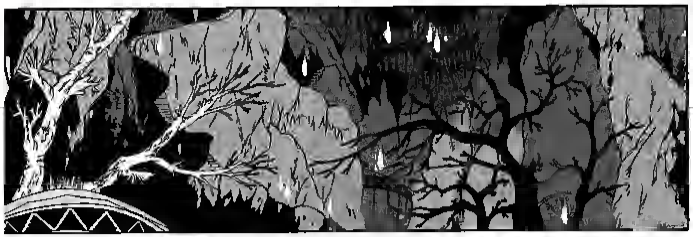
HE WILL BRING
DISASTER UPON
THE VILLAGE!

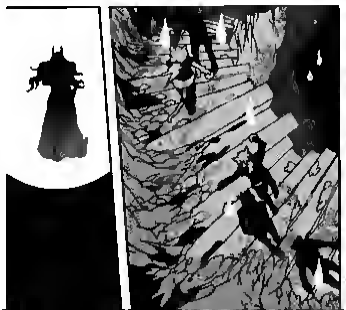

KONOE!
HEY
KONOE, WAKE UP!

GET READY TO LEAVE
LEAVE?

AH
SHH
ASATO


PACK YOUR BAGS AND GET READY HURRY!
THERE'S NO TIME TO EXPLAIN



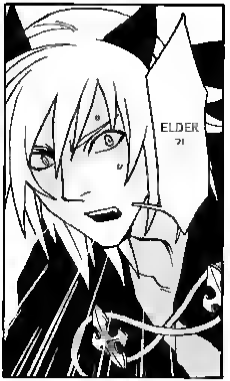


THAT CURSED CAT IS UNLUCKY!
HE WILL TAINT THE PROUD EXISTENCE OF KIRA!

KILL THE CURSED CAT.

KILL HIM!
HE MIGHT BE A SPY!
Was it all a trap?

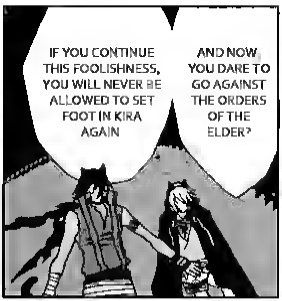
WE CAN ALSO UNDERSTAND THE PAIN OF BEING UNABLE TO EXPLAIN ONESELF.


ELDER ?!

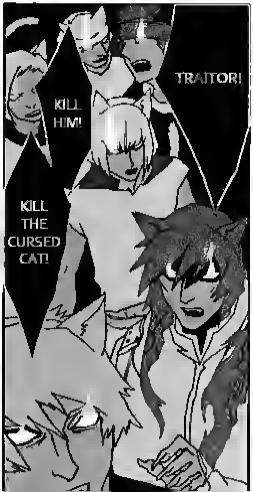
GET OUT OF OUR WAY, DESPICABLE DEMON SPAWN
DO NOT HINDER US
UM
ASATO!
DO YOU KNOW WHAT YOU'RE DOING?
YOU ARE BUT AN OUTCAST WHO IS ALLOWED TO LIVE HERE. HOW DARE YOU DISOBEY THE ELDER'S ORDERS?
HMM?
Demon spawn....?

スル…
HOW INTEREST-ING.

クハル…


IF YOU CONTINUE THIS FOOLISHNESS, YOU WILL NEVER BE ALLOWED TO SET FOOT IN KIRA AGAIN
AND NOW YOU DARE TO GO AGAINST THE ORDERS OF THE ELDER?

YOU ARE A CURSED CHILD BORNE FROM A FORBIDDEN UNION BETWEEN A DEVIL AND YOUR FICKLE MOTHER, YET WE ALLOWED YOU TO STAY IN THE VILLAGE


KILL HIM!
TRAITOR!
KILL THE CURSED CAT!

!?

DO YOU PLAN TO BETRAY KIRA AND FORGET THE MERCY WE'VE SHOWN YOU?
DEMON SPAWN

ELIMINATE THE TRAITOR!
SHOCK
...YOU MONSTER!
WHAT A SON YOUR MOTHER GAVE BIRTH TO...
TO US, YOU ARE AN EVIL SEED

MONSTER!
YOU DEMON SPAWN!
ASATO, SOMETHING DOESN'T SEEM QUITE RIGHT
BE QUIET
KILL HIM!
KILL HIM!
KONOE ?!
COLLAPSE
KILL HIM.
GRRRRRR

IT'S WEIRD ...
EVERYONE'S ACTING SO STRANGE!
KONOE? WHAT'S WRONG?
DON'T DO IT, ASATO ...

KILL HIM! ASATO!!
He's a totally different person.
The elder, who seemed so calm and thoughtful...

...
Red Snakes
!

ASATO ...
IF YOU STILL CONSIDER YOURSELF A PART OF KIRA, THEN KILL HIM

KILL HIM!
KILL HIM!
KILL!
KILL HIM!

I remember now...
The night before the marks showed up, I had a dream.
In my dream
I swallowed four snakes.
AH
YOU
ARE YOU REALLY GOING TO BETRAY KIRA?!
ASATO!

IF YOU DO THIS YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO GO BACK TO KIRA
ASATO
I DON'T KNOW
RUN!
RUN?
WHERE TO...?
!!
YOU SAID I'M BEAUTIFUL
BUT KONOE, YOU SAID
SO... I DON'T KNOW WHAT I SHOULD DO ANYMORE
I DON'T WANT TO KILL YOU, KONOE.

BEYOND THIS FOREST——
LET'S GO TO RANSEN, ASATO!
...RANSEN!

Attracted to his pure soul, the devil's child and the cursed cat set off on a journey into the night

Not knowing what lies beyond their vision, embracing their ever-changing destiny and preparing to fight

Lamento
—BEYOND THE VOID—

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facepalm I can't believe I thought it would be a good idea to make the poems rhyme. I have the rhyming skills of a grade schooler so this was beyond ridiculous

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